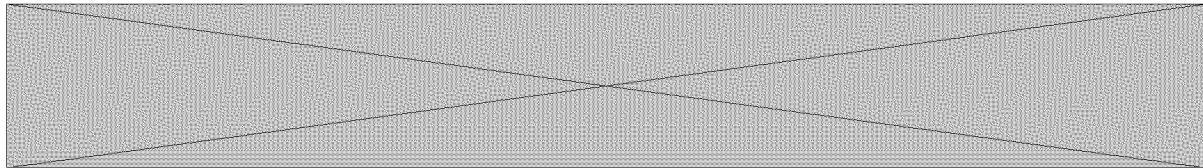


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Good Friday afternoon. This week started with an offshore wind conference in Boston where several state and federal leaders spoke in favor of the energy source, others however were less specific. MA Energy Secretary Beaton said inaction on importing hydro will likely spur FERC to give New England "every pipeline." And the NRC said of its most recent inspection of Pilgrim that the plant is operating safely.

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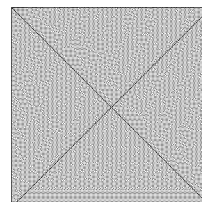
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- ISO confirms sufficient electric resources, lower price for 2019–2020, *Vermont Biz*
- NH society includes DOT in Northern Pass legal action, *The Union Leader*
- National Grid touts success in first-year of Worcester smart grid program, *MassLive*
- House leaders: Price key in energy bill, *CommonWealth Magazine*
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- Basics of Distributed Generation and Onsite CHP, The Association of Energy Engineers, March 7- 9, 2016, Boston, MA
- Fundamentals of Renewable Energy, The Association of Energy Engineers, March 7- 9, 2016, Boston, MA
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